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PORTSMOUTH.—LESSER VICTORIA HALL.—On Sunday last, morning and evening, Mr. Lacey delivered powerful inspirational addresses on 'Thought Force' and 'Seeing God for Ourselves' to good audiences.—G. McF.

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HANDSWORTH.—30, JOHN-STREET, VILLA CROSS.—On Sunday last Miss Colebourne, of Derby, gave interesting and stirring addresses on 'Spiritualism and the Future Life' and 'Charity,' and good clairvoyant descriptions. On Monday she gave psychometric delineations for persons in ill-health.—F. C.

DUNDEE.—FORESTERS' HALL, RATTRAY-STREET.—On Sunday last Mr. J. Donaldson, of Dunfermline, gave appreciated addresses on 'Is Prayer Natural?' and 'Spiritualism: Its Mission,' and Mrs. Odhner gave successful clairvoyant descriptions. Mr. Jas. Watson addressed the Guild of Ward Chapel Congregational Church on 'The Testimony of Scientific Men to Spiritualism.'

PROPAGANDA MEETING.

On Tuesday evening, January 14th, the Union of London Spiritualists held at the Workmen's Hall, Romford-road, Stratford, E., a propaganda meeting—one of a number organised for different London centres. Mr. G. Tayler Gwinn, who presided, opened the meeting with some useful remarks upon 'Negative Aspects of Spiritualism.' Mr. R. Boddington spoke forcefully on 'Why Man Lives after Death,' and claimed that he does so because he is of the Eternal Essence. Mr. John Adams explained 'Why I am a Spiritualist,' also giving the reasons of many eminent adherents to the cause. Such meetings should appeal for support to every convinced Spiritualist, but as they do not defray their cost assistance in making future meetings known, and contributions to the propaganda fund, will be welcomed.

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BOURNEMOUTH.—ASSEMBLY ROOMS, TOWN HALL-AVENUE.—On Sunday evening last Mr. V. N. Turvey ably answered questions and gave well-recognised clairvoyant descriptions.

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GOVAN.—On Sunday last Mr. Walker's address was much appreciated by a large audience; also Mrs. Laird's excellent clairvoyant descriptions. We shall open a Lyceum next Sunday.—D. G.

BRADFORD.—BRITTEN HALL, WESTGATE.—On Sunday last Mrs. Burchell conducted three services in the new hall, many strangers being present. On Monday evening there was a special meeting for demonstrations.

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READING.—CROSS-STREET HALL.—On Sunday last Mr. P. R. Street spoke on 'The River of Life,' and gave auric drawings. On January 20th, at 11, Blagrave-street, Mr. Street lectured on 'Symbology,' and on the 22nd a healing meeting was held.—S.

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PORTSMOUTH.—VICTORIA-ROAD, SOUTH.—On Sunday last, morning and evening, Mr. Ernest Oaten gave powerful and stirring addresses on 'Spiritual Devotion' and 'The Future of Spiritualism—a Message to the Masses.' Mrs. Davis held a 'Flower Séance,' and every reading was acknowledged correct.—G. McF.

FOLESHILL.—Meetings in the new hall have been well attended. On January 19th Mr. H. Clarke, of Leicester, delivered eloquent and stirring addresses. On Sunday last Mr. H. Croshaw, of Birmingham, spoke and gave convincing clairvoyant descriptions. A Lyceum has been started, and week-night meetings are also held. The lady members propose to hold a bazaar about Easter. The society has joined the National Spiritualists' Union.—J. C.

PLYMOUTH.—ODDFELLOWS' HALL, MORLEY-STREET.—On Sunday last Mrs. Marples delivered an address on 'The Spirit after it Leaves the Body,' Mrs. Short gave clairvoyant descriptions, and Miss Wakeham sang a solo. On January 22nd Mrs. Hawkins and Mrs. Martin gave clairvoyant descriptions.—F. T. H.—Hoe-gate Hall, Notte-street.—On Sunday last Mr. J. Evans delivered a convincing and inspiring address on 'Life after Death,' and Mr. W. Eales gave lucid clairvoyant descriptions to a good audience.—F. A. P.

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CAMBERWELL NEW-ROAD.—SURREY MASONIC HALL.—On Sunday last, the 21st anniversary services were held. In the morning Mr. R. Boddington presided; Mr. Imison delivered a useful address, and Mrs. Imison gave recognised clairvoyant descriptions and messages. In the evening Mr. Imison and Mr. D. J. Davis addressed a large audience, and Mrs. Imison gave clairvoyant descriptions. Mrs. Beaurepaire sang a solo. Large collections were taken and at the business meeting a satisfactory year's work was reported.—E. S.

DUNDEE.—OPERATIVE HALL.—A few friends, meeting as a family circle, having decided to form an association, a business meeting was held on January 17th, followed by a social gathering of members and friends. On Sunday, the 19th ult., at the special inaugural services, Mr. C. M. Spence named a little child in a touching manner, Miss Caithness gave successful clairvoyant descriptions, and Mrs. Allan gave good tests. We anticipate that much good will be done by our association, of which Mr. C. M. Spence is president, Mr. D. Kidd, treasurer, and Mr. H. Macpherson, secretary.—J. M. S.

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SOUTHAMPTON.—WAVERLEY HALL, ST. MARY'S-ROAD.—On the 3rd inst. Mr. T. B. Frost conducted a circle. On the 8th Mr. H. J. Nicholls gave excellent psychometric tests. On Sunday last Mr. Nicholls gave a thoughtful and instructive address on 'Spiritualism and Christ.'—E. H. L.

TOTTENHAM.—193, HIGH-ROAD.—On Sunday evening last Mr. R. Boddington delivered an able address on 'Man's Message to Man,' and Mr. Dean gave clairvoyant proofs of spirit identity, in one case both Christian and surname being given.—N. T.

SOUTHSEA.—VICTORIA HALL.—On Sunday morning last Mr. Lawrence ably replied to questions. In the evening Mr. Hack read an excellent paper. Mrs. Wilson gave well-recognised clairvoyant descriptions, and in the afternoon she conducted a circle.

LITTLE ILFORD.—CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE, CHURCH-ROAD, MANOR PARK.—On Sunday last Mr. John Lobb's spirited and earnest address on 'How the Pulpits Slander the So-Called Dead' was thoroughly enjoyed. Mrs. Ord presided and conducted the after-circle.—A. J.

READING.—CROSS-STREET HALL.—On the 3rd inst. addresses were given on 'Psychic Laws,' 'True Religion,' and 'Spiritualists' Duty to Spiritualism.' On Sunday last, at the anniversary service, Mr. P. R. Street spoke on 'At the Turn of the Tide' and gave auric drawings.—S.

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HANDSWORTH.—30, JOHN-STREET, VILLA CROSS.—On Sunday last the Rev. C. J. Sneath, late of St. Paul's Church, Balsall Heath, gave an interesting and uplifting address on immortality, entitled 'The Great Affirmation,' to a large and attentive audience.—F. L.

PORTSMOUTH.—VICTORIA-ROAD, SOUTH.—On Sunday last, morning and evening, Mr. E. W. Wallis addressed large and appreciative audiences on 'Spiritualism: a Fact and a Faith' and 'What and Where are the Dead?' On Saturday last a social reception to meet Mr. Von Bourg was largely attended.—G. McF.

SOUTHBEND-ON-SEA.—MILTON-STREET.—On the 2nd inst. Mrs. Effie Bathe gave an instructive address on 'Animal Consciousness,' illustrated by ten original paintings. On the 6th Mrs. Knight gave an interesting paper on 'Philosophy.' On Sunday last Mr. D. J. Davis ably replied to questions. Mr. Bolton gave well-recognised clairvoyant descriptions, and Mrs. McPherson rendered a solo.

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DUNDEE.—FORESTERS' HALL, RATTRAY-STREET.—Good addresses have been given by Mr. Jas. Watson and Mr. Chas. Dand, and really successful clairvoyance by Mrs. Odhner and Miss Lizzie Cairnie. On the 6th inst., at the twelfth annual business meeting, satisfactory reports were submitted and officers and committee were appointed. Our president, Mr. J. M. Stevenson, conducted an impressive service at the funeral of Mrs. J. Henderson, one of our earliest members, and on Sunday evening last delivered a fine and appropriate address on 'When Death Enters the Home.' Our sympathy is with Mr. Henderson.—J. M.

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'Annual Report of the Smithsonian Institution, 1906.' Washington, U.S.A.: Government Printing Office.

MONTHLY MAGAZINES.—'Annals of Psychical Science' (1s.), 'Theosophist' (1s.), 'Shorthand Gazette' (3d.), 'Nautilus' (10 cents), 'The Extract' (India, 6d.), 'Hindu Spiritual Magazine' (1s.), 'Herald of Truth' (10 cents), 'Australian Herald' (3d.), 'Harbinger of Light' (Melbourne, 6d.).

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SPIRITUAL MISSION: 22, Prince's-street, Oxford-street, W.—On Sunday evening last a hearty welcome was accorded Mr. Frederic Fletcher on his return from the East, and his intellectual address was much enjoyed. Sunday next, at 7 p.m., Mrs. Fairclough Smith, on 'Spiritualism: Its Purity and Strength.'—67, George-street, Baker-street, W.—On Sunday morning last a helpful service was conducted by Mrs. Fairclough Smith. Sunday next, at 11 a.m., Mr. E. W. Beard, address and clairvoyant descriptions. Doors closed at 11.15 a.m.

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SOUTHEND-ON-SEA.—MILTON-STREET.—On Sunday morning last Mr. England gave an interesting address and answered questions. In the evening Mrs. Effie Bathe lectured instructively on 'Psychometry' and ably dealt with questions. Mrs. Macpherson rendered a solo.

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Do not concentrate attention too fixedly on the expected manifestation. Engage in cheerful but not frivolous conversation. Avoid dispute or argument. Scepticism has no deterrent effect, but a bitter spirit of opposition in a person of determined will may totally stop or decidedly impede manifestations. If conversation flags, music is a great help, if it be agreeable to all, and not of a kind to irritate the sensitive ear. Patience is essential, and it may be necessary to meet ten or twelve times at short intervals, before anything occurs. If after such a trial you still fail, form a fresh circle. An hour should be the limit of an unsuccessful séance.

If the table moves, let your pressure be so gentle on its surface that you are sure you are not aiding its motions. After some time you will probably find that the movement will continue if your hands are held over, but not in contact with, it. Do not, however, try this until the movement is assured, and be in no hurry to get messages.

When you think that the time has come, let someone take command of the circle and act as spokesman. Explain to the unseen Intelligence that an agreed code of signals is desirable, and ask that a tilt may be given as the alphabet is slowly repeated, at the several letters which form the word that the Intelligence wishes to spell. It is convenient to use a single tilt for No, three for Yes, and two to express doubt or uncertainty.

When a satisfactory communication has been established, ask if you are rightly placed, and if not, what order you should take. After this ask who the Intelligence purports to be, which of the company is the medium, and such relevant questions. If confusion occurs, ascribe it to the difficulty that exists in directing the movements at first with exactitude. Patience will remedy this. If you only satisfy yourself at first that it is possible to speak with an Intelligence separate from that of any person present, you will have gained much.

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CHISWICK.—56, HIGH-ROAD, W.—On Sunday morning last helpful spirit messages were given. In the evening Mr. H. Wright's address on 'Ghosts, what are they?' was much enjoyed. On Monday Mr. J. Blackburn lectured on 'Healing,' with practical demonstrations. Sunday next, at 11.15 a.m., circle; at 2.45 p.m., Lyceum; at 7 p.m., Mr. A. C. Baxter, address. Tuesday, at 8.30 p.m., healing.—H. S.

SHEPHERD'S BUSH.—73, BECKLOW-ROAD, ASKEW-ROAD, W.—On Sunday morning last Mr. Moore gave an invocation and Mrs. Baxter an address on 'God's Sunshine.' In the evening Mr. Davis delivered a good address on 'The Bearing of Spiritualistic Teaching on Ethics.' Sunday next, at 11 a.m., circle; at 7 p.m., Mr. Spencer. May 28th, at 8 p.m., social evening, tickets 3d. Wednesday and Friday, members' circles

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FINSBURY PARK.—19, STROUD GREEN-ROAD.—On Sunday last, at a very full and harmonious meeting, Mrs. Jones gave an address and clairvoyant descriptions, and other friends spoke.

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GOVAN.—GORDON HALLS, 316, PAISLEY-ROAD.—On Sunday last Mr. Stewart read a paper on 'Prayer in the Light of Spiritualism.' Mr. Barnett gave clairvoyant descriptions and conducted the after-circle.—J. W.

MANOR PARK AND EAST HAM.—OLD COUNCIL ROOMS, WAKEFIELD-STREET.—On Sunday last Mr. Walker answered questions from the audience. On the 15th inst. Mrs. Neville gave good psychometric delineations.

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DUNDEE.—CAMPERDOWN HALL, BARRACK-STREET.—On Sunday morning last Mr. Clark gave a reading on 'Biblical Teachings.' In the evening Mr. Inglis gave a stirring address on 'An Awakening' to an appreciative audience.—D. U.

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA.—MILTON-STREET.—On Sunday morning last Mrs. Podmore gave good psychometrical delineations, and in the evening delivered an address on 'God is Love,' and her clairvoyant descriptions were nearly all recognised.

GLASGOW.—EBENEZER CHURCH, WATERLOO-STREET.—On Sunday last, morning and evening, Mr. Ernest Oaten delivered well-appreciated addresses on questions from the audience and on 'Is Spiritualism a Science, a Philosophy, or a Religion?'

PLYMOUTH.—ODDFELLOWS' HALL, MORLEY-STREET.—On Sunday last Mr. A. W. Clavis delivered an address, and Mrs. Martin gave clairvoyant descriptions. Miss Lethbridge rendered a solo. On the 13th Mr. W. H. Evans ably answered questions.—A. W. C.

SOUTHSEA.—VICTORIA HALL.—On Sunday morning last Mr. H. Boddington delivered an address on 'What is the use of it?' and in the evening replied to questions. On the 13th inst. Mr. C. E. Lawrence spoke on 'Is the Bible accepted by Spiritualists?' and Mrs. Wilson gave well-recognised clairvoyant descriptions.

PORTSMOUTH.—VICTORIA ROAD, SOUTH.—On Sunday last Mr. Lacey gave intellectual lectures on 'The Philosophy of Death' and 'Life's Subjectiveness,' also psychometric delineations, to crowded audiences. On May 13th Mr. Lacey gave an instructive address on 'Sensitiveness,' and Mrs. Davies clairvoyant descriptions. Many new members have joined, and a third circle of over twenty sitters has been formed.—G. McF.

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READING.—CROSS-STREET HALL.—On Sunday last Mr. P. R. Street spoke on 'A Triumphal Entry,' and gave clairvoyant descriptions. On June 22nd Mr. Strange gave an address on 'The Purposes of Life.' On June 24th Mr. Street lectured on 'Physical and Spiritual Relationship.'—T. W. L.

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HOLLOWAY.—49, LORAINE-ROAD.—On Sunday last Mr. Brown delivered an address and answered questions; Mr. Hawes gave clairvoyant descriptions. On June 23rd a circle was held for healing. On the 25th Mr. Gambril Nicholson spoke on 'The Law of Psychic Phenomena.' All meetings were well attended.—H. P.

SOUTHSEA.—1A, WATERLOO-STREET.—On Sunday last Mr. C. E. Lawrence delivered an address on 'Our Spirit Homes,' and Mrs. Harvey gave well-recognised clairvoyant descriptions. On June 24th Mr. W. Hack, president, spoke ably on 'The Power of Thought,' and Mrs. Wilson gave successful clairvoyant descriptions.—W. F.

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CROYDON.—MORLAND HALL, (REAR OF) 74, LOWER ADDISCOMBE-ROAD.—On Sunday last Miss Chapin gave an interesting address and clairvoyant descriptions and messages.

HANDSWORTH.—30, JOHN-STREET, VILLA CROSS.—On Sunday last Mr. London gave an address on 'Biblical Spiritualism, and Mr. Fred Hadley rendered two fine solos.—F. L.

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GOVAN.—GORDON HALLS, 316, PAISLEY-ROAD.—On Sunday morning last Mr. Sharpe gave an address and Mrs. Ellis and Mr. Gunn clairvoyant descriptions.—L. M.

SOUTHSEA.—1A, WATERLOO-STREET.—On Sunday morning last Mr. R. Boddington replied to questions, and in the evening spoke ably on 'Spiritualism a Reality.' Mrs. Wilson gave good clairvoyant descriptions.—W. D. F.

BOURNEMOUTH.—ASSEMBLY ROOMS, TOWN HALL AVENUE.—On Sunday morning last a circle was held. In the evening Mr. J. Walker gave an address on 'The Soul's Awakening' and clairvoyant descriptions.—F. T. B.

STRATFORD.—IDMISTON-ROAD, FOREST-LANE.—On Sunday last Mr. Smith delivered a profound address on 'The Action of Thought upon the Mind,' and Mrs. Smith's clairvoyant descriptions were all recognised.—H.

CLAPHAM INSTITUTE, GAUDEN-ROAD.—On Sunday last Mr. Frank Pearce, of Portsmouth, delivered a forcible address on 'God in Nature.' A few vacancies open in the new members' developing circle; early application necessary.

EXETER.—MARKET HALL, FORE-STREET.—On Sunday last Mr. Woodland, of Cardiff, spoke on 'Spiritual Gifts.' Mr. Jones rendered a solo. Mrs. Grainger gave clairvoyant descriptions, and on the 1st inst., psychometric delineations.

LITTLE ILFORD.—CORNER OF THIRD-AVENUE, CHURCH-ROAD, MANOR PARK.—On Sunday last Mr. G. Nicholson's address on 'Natural Laws in the Psychical World' was much appreciated. Mrs. Ord conducted a successful after-circle.

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READING.—CROSS-STREET HALL.—On Sunday last Mr. P. R. Street spoke on 'Modern Spiritualism' and answered questions. June 29th, Father John Richers gave an address on 'Heaven and Hell.' July 1st, the Brothers Wesmar gave a test demonstration of telepathy.—T. W. L.

BRISTOL.—On Saturday evening, at the Tram Centre, and Sunday last, at 3 and 8.30 p.m., at Durdham Downs, open air meetings were addressed by Mr. A. H. Bartlett, who also gave a recitation from Poe. These meetings will be continued, weather permitting. Helpers will be welcome.

BALHAM.—19, RAMSDEN-ROAD (OPPOSITE THE PUBLIC LIBRARY).—On Sunday morning last Mr. Hooker spoke upon 'Brotherhood.' In the evening Mr. G. Morley gave an address on 'The Voice of the Ages.' On the 3rd inst. Mr. Bridger was the speaker.—W. E.

SOUTHAMPTON.—TOWN'S BAND OFFICE, ONSLOW-ROAD.—On June 29th Mrs. Podmore conducted an enjoyable circle. On Sunday last Mr. Edw. H. Last read a paper on 'Religion.' Mrs. C. Bailey rendered a solo, and Mrs. Harvey gave clairvoyant descriptions.—E. H. L.

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SOUTHPORT.—HAWKSHEAD HALL.—On Sunday last, at the annual flower service, Mrs. E. A. Cannock delivered educational addresses on 'Dreams and Visions,' and 'The Aim and Object of Spiritualism.' The hall was beautifully decorated by the Lyceum Committee. Madame Belle Guest admirably rendered solos to crowded audiences. On Monday afternoon Mrs. Cannock held a flower service and, at night, conducted a successful circle.—E. B.

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA.—MILTON-STREET.—On Sunday last, at the flower service, the platform was beautifully decorated with flowers. In the morning Mrs. Boddington gave a short address, and clairvoyant descriptions, and in the evening spoke on 'The Earth is the Lord's and the Fulness Thereof.' Mrs. McPherson rendered a solo, and the choral singing was much enjoyed.

PORTSMOUTH.—VICTORIA-ROAD, SOUTH.—On Sunday morning last Mr. Hector Lacey replied to questions, and in the evening delivered an address on 'The Good Spiritualism is Doing.' Mrs. Mary Davies gave clairvoyant and psychometric delineations. In the evening an open air meeting was well attended. On the 1st inst. Mr. Frank Pearce lectured instructively on 'Earth Life, and How to Live It.' Mrs. Davies gave convincing psychometric delineations.—McF.

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CHISWICK.—56, HIGH-ROAD, W.—On Sunday morning last 'Concentration' was discussed, and an uplifting message proclaiming the truths of Spiritualism was received. In the evening Mr. J. Blackburn gave a powerful address on 'Practical Religion.' Sunday next, at 11.15 a.m., circle; at 2.45 p.m., Lyceum; at 7 p.m., Mr. Thomas Olman Todd on 'The Temple of Truth.' Tuesday, at 8.30 p.m., healing.—H. S.

TOTTENHAM.—193, HIGH-ROAD.—On Sunday evening last Mr. H. G. Swift lectured ably on 'Some Superstitions concerning the so-called Dead.'—N. T.

LITTLE ILFORD.—CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE, CHURCH-ROAD, MANOR PARK.—On Sunday last Mr. T. B. Frost, after an address, dedicated the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan.

SOUTHSEA.—1A, WATERLOO-STREET.—On Sunday last Mr. R. Boddington spoke ably on 'The Light that Failed,' and Miss Fletcher gave well-recognised psychometric delineations.

EXETER.—MARLBOROUGH HALL.—On Sunday last Mrs. Letheren spoke on 'The Unknown God' and gave clairvoyant descriptions; also on Friday, after an address by Mrs. Battishill.—E. F.

CAMBERWELL NEW-ROAD.—SURREY MASONIC HALL.—On Sunday morning last valuable personal advice was given. In the evening Mr. W. E. Long delivered an instructive address on 'Idolatry.'—E. S.

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HOLLOWAY.—49, LORRAINE-ROAD.—On Sunday last Mr. Nicholson's address on 'Freedom, Liberty, and Truth' was much enjoyed. Mr. Hawes gave successful clairvoyant descriptions.—F. A. H.

CROYDON.—MORLAND HALL, (REAR OF) 74, LOWER ADDISCOMBE-ROAD.—On Sunday last Miss Chapin gave an address on 'Vibrations and Colour as Related to Life' and successful psychometric delineations.

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DUNDEE.—FORESTERS' HALL, RATTRAY-STREET.—On Sunday evening last Mr. C. Dand spoke on 'The Unity of Man and God.' Miss L. Cairnie gave clear clairvoyant descriptions, and a visitor rendered a ballad.—J. M.

EXETER.—MARKET HALL, FORE-STREET.—On Sunday last Mr. J. Evans spoke on 'The Trinity: A Spiritualist's Interpretation.' Mrs. Grainger gave clairvoyant descriptions, and on the 15th inst., psychometric delineations.—H. L.

SOUTHPORT.—HAWKSHEAD HALL.—On Sunday last Mr. J. T. Ramm gave reminiscences and clairvoyant readings. Soloist, Mrs. Stewart. On Monday Mr. Ramm gave clairvoyant and psychometric delineations. Crowded audiences.

PLYMOUTH.—ODDFELLOWS' HALL, MORLEY-STREET.—On Sunday last Mr. W. H. Evans spoke on 'Spirit Communion'; Mrs. Martin gave clairvoyant descriptions. At the members' quarterly meeting a good financial position was shown.—A. C.

BOURNEMOUTH.—ASSEMBLY ROOMS, TOWN HALL AVENUE.—On Sunday last Mr. Dudley Wright delivered highly appreciated addresses on 'The Basic Facts of all Religious Systems' and 'The Spiritual Nature and Development of Man.'—F. T. B.

SOUTHAMPTON.—TOWN'S BAND OFFICES, ONSLOW-ROAD.—On Sunday last Mr. H. J. Nicholls gave an address and well-recognised clairvoyant descriptions. On the 13th inst. Mr. Grey read a paper on 'Spirit Homes.' On the 15th Mrs. Harvey gave clairvoyant descriptions.—E. H. L.

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READING.—CROSS-STREET HALL.—On Sunday last Mr. P. R. Street spoke on 'Sights and Sounds,' and gave auric drawings. On the 13th inst. Mr. Melphed lectured on 'The Spiritual Life.' On the 15th Mrs. Arthur Croxford gave her first address on 'From Orthodoxy to Spiritualism.'—T. W. L.

PORTSMOUTH.—VICTORIA-ROAD, SOUTH.—On Sunday last, morning and evening, Mr. D. J. Davis spoke on 'A Biblical Séance and its Lessons,' and 'What we learn from Spiritualism.' Clairvoyant descriptions by our president were much appreciated. On the 15th a garden party was attended by over one hundred friends, and in the evening, after an address on 'Psychometry,' Mrs. Davies gave clairvoyant descriptions.—G. McF.

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PLYMOUTH.—ODDFELLOWS' HALL, MORLEY-STREET.—On Sunday last Mr. Marshall spoke and Mrs. Martin gave clairvoyant descriptions.—A. W. C.

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STRATFORD.—WORKMEN'S HALL, ROMFORD-ROAD, E.—On Sunday last Mr. F. Smith gave an interesting address on 'Spirit Experiences,' and Mrs. Smith's clairvoyant delineations were well recognised.—W. H. S.

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SOUTHSEA.—1A, WATERLOO-STREET.—On Sunday morning last Mr. Smith spoke; in the evening the Rev. Geo. Cole, of Middlesbrough, addressed a large audience on 'Life in the Spirit World' and Mrs. Wilson gave clairvoyant descriptions.

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Form a circle of from four to eight persons, half, or at least two, of negative, passive temperament and preferably of the female sex, the rest of a more positive type. Sit, positive and negative alternately, secure against disturbance, in subdued light, round an uncovered table of convenient size. Place the palms of the hands flat upon its upper surface. The hands of each sitter need not touch those of his neighbour, though the practice is frequently adopted.

Do not concentrate attention too fixedly on the expected manifestation. Engage in cheerful but not frivolous conversation. Avoid dispute or argument. Scepticism has no deterrent effect, but a bitter spirit of opposition in a person of determined will may totally stop or decidedly impede manifestations. If conversation flags, music is a great help, if it be agreeable to all, and not of a kind to irritate the sensitive ear. Patience is essential, and it may be necessary to meet ten or twelve times at short intervals, before anything occurs. If after such a trial you still fail, form a fresh circle. An hour should be the limit of an unsuccessful séance.

If the table moves, let your pressure be so gentle on its surface that you are sure you are not aiding its motions. After some time you will probably find that the movement will continue if your hands are held over, but not in contact with, it. Do not, however, try this until the movement is assured, and be in no hurry to get messages.

When you think that the time has come, let someone take command of the circle and act as spokesman. Explain to the unseen Intelligence that an agreed code of signals is desirable, and ask that a tilt may be given as the alphabet is slowly repeated, at the several letters which form the word that the Intelligence wishes to spell. It is convenient to use a single tilt for No, three for Yes, and two to express doubt or uncertainty.

When a satisfactory communication has been established, ask if you are rightly placed, and if not, what order you should take. After this, ask who the Intelligence purports to be, which of the company is the medium, and such relevant questions. If confusion occurs, ascribe it to the difficulty that exists in directing the movements at first with exactitude. Patience will remedy this. If you only satisfy yourself at first that it is possible to speak with an Intelligence separate from that of any person present, you will have gained much.

The signals may take the form of raps. If so, use the same code of signals, and ask as the raps become clear that they may be made on the table, or in a part of the room where they are demonstrably not produced by any natural means, but avoid any vexatious imposition of restriction on free communication. Let the Intelligence use its own means. It rests greatly with the sitters to make the manifestations elevating or frivolous and even tricky.

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Form a circle of from four to eight persons, half, or at least two, of negative, passive temperament and preferably of the female sex, the rest of a more positive type. Sit, positive and negative alternately, secure against disturbance, in subdued light, round an uncovered table of convenient size. Place the palms of the hands flat upon its upper surface. The hands of each sitter need not touch those of his neighbour, though the practice is frequently adopted.

Do not concentrate attention too fixedly on the expected manifestation. Engage in cheerful but not frivolous conversation. Avoid dispute or argument. Scepticism has no deterrent effect, but a bitter spirit of opposition in a person of determined will may totally stop or decidedly impede manifestations. If conversation flags, music is a great help if it be agreeable to all, and not of a kind to irritate the sensitive ear. Patience is essential, and it may be necessary to meet ten or twelve times at short intervals, before anything occurs. If after such a trial you still fail, form a fresh circle. An hour should be the limit of an unsuccessful séance.

If the table moves, let your pressure be so gentle on its surface that you are sure you are not aiding its motions. After some time you will probably find that the movement will continue if your hands are held over, but not in contact with, it. Do not, however, try this until the movement is assured, and be in no hurry to get messages.

When you think that the time has come, let someone take command of the circle and act as spokesman. Explain to the unseen Intelligence that an agreed code of signals is desirable, and ask that a tilt may be given as the alphabet is slowly repeated, at the several letters which form the word that the Intelligence wishes to spell. It is convenient to use a single tilt for No, three for Yes, and two to express doubt or uncertainty.

When a satisfactory communication has been established, ask if you are rightly placed, and if not, what order you should take. After this, ask who the Intelligence purports to be, which of the company is the medium, and such relevant questions. If confusion occurs, ascribe it to the difficulty that exists in directing the movements at first with exactitude. Patience will remedy this. If you only satisfy yourself at first that it is possible to speak with an Intelligence separate from that of any person present, you will have gained much.

The signals may take the form of raps. If so, use the same code of signals, and ask as the raps become clear that they may be made on the table, or in a part of the room where they are demonstrably not produced by any natural means, but avoid any vexatious imposition of restriction on free communication. Let the Intelligence use its own means. It rests greatly with the sitters to make the manifestations elevating or frivolous and even tricky.

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LITTLE ILFORD.—**CORNER OF THIRD-AVENUE, CHURCH-ROAD, MANOR PARK.**—On Sunday last, at the Harvest Festival, the hall was beautifully decorated and gifts were plentiful, and we thank friends for their kind assistance. Mr. Frost delivered an appropriate address and gave clairvoyant descriptions. Mr. Abel presided and conducted the after-circle.—A. J.

HANDSWORTH SOCIETY OF SPIRITUALISTS.

On Saturday last the Handsworth Society held a tea and social meeting at 30, John-street, Villa Cross, in honour of Mrs. Cannock and Miss Ruth Sage. Many friends and members enjoyed the songs, recitations, readings and musical selections contributed by talented friends, notably Mrs. Hitchman, Mrs. Ross, Miss Shakespeare, Miss Ada Clark, Miss Clarice Hope, Messrs. Hitchman, Watton, Street, Lloyd, Archer, and Master Lionel Shoppee. Miss Emmeline Miles, Mrs. Ross, and Mrs. Lloyd were indefatigable as accompanists and soloists. Mr. Street's humorous songs were much enjoyed. Miss Ruth Sage's father, who passed to spirit life more than twenty years ago, interested all by his touching yet bright address, through his daughter, on 'The Social Side of Spiritualism.' Mrs. Cannock gave a recitation and remarkable clairvoyant descriptions. The ladies' committee and their helpers merit great praise for the catering and general arrangements. Copies of 'LIGHT' were soon sold out. On Sunday last Mrs. Cannock gave an address on 'The Power of Thought,' and clairvoyant descriptions, and Miss Clarice Hope sang a solo. On Monday evening Mrs. Cannock gave psychometric delineations and clairvoyant diagnoses.—F. L.

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ACTON AND EALING.—**21, UXBRIDGE-ROAD, EALING, W.**—On Saturday last the second anniversary tea meeting was held, and speeches were delivered by Mrs. H. Ball (president), Miss Maries, Messrs. Wellsbourne, Jackson, Pett, Smythe, Ball, and Mrs. Hall. Musical items were interspersed, and an enjoyable evening was spent. Financial help encouraging. On Sunday last Miss Chapin gave recognised clairvoyant descriptions. Sunday next, at 7 p.m., Mrs. M. H. Wallis. October 11th, Mr. W. E. Walker, address and psychometry.

LINCOLN.—**ARCADE, UPPER ROOM.**—On Sunday last Mr. Thomas gave addresses and clairvoyant descriptions.—C. R.

SOUTHSEA.—**1A, WATERLOO-STREET.**—On Sunday last Mr. Smith gave an eloquent address to an appreciative audience.

DUNDEE.—**FORESTERS' HALL, RATTRAY-STREET.**—On Sunday last Miss A. McKenzie, of Glasgow, held successful meetings.—J. M.

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BIRMINGHAM.—**30, JOHN-STREET, VILLA CROSS, HANDSWORTH.**—On Sunday last Mrs. Litt addressed a large audience on 'The Two Worlds—Physical and Spiritual,' and gave clairvoyant descriptions. Mr. Frank Watton sang solos. On Monday Mrs. Litt gave psychometric delineations.—F. L.

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WISBECH.—PUBLIC HALL.—On September 27th and 28th, at the Harvest Services, Mr. A. Punter gave good addresses and recognised clairvoyant descriptions. On the Monday a public tea and meeting were well attended.—H. S.

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PLYMOUTH.—ODDFELLOWS' HALL, MORLEY-STREET.—On Sunday morning last Mr. Mullett conducted the Lyceum, and in the evening discoursed on 'Biblical Spiritualism.' Mrs. Trueman gave clairvoyant descriptions, and Mrs. Roberts rendered a solo.—E. M.

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA.—MILTON-STREET.—On Sunday last, at the Harvest Festival, the hall was prettily decorated with fruit and flowers. In the morning Mr. Long gave an address on 'The Resurrection of Man,' and in the evening Mr. Rex spoke.

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HOLLOWAY.—49, LORAINA-ROAD.—On Sunday, September 27th, at the successful Harvest Festival services, the rooms were tastefully decorated with flowers, fruit, &c., which were afterwards given to the North London Hospital. Mr. Baxter presided, and Mr. Cockren gave a seasonable and helpful address. A newly-formed choir rendered an anthem very acceptably. Mr. Baxter spoke of the success of the Association during the past year and appealed for more workers, and afterwards described several spirit friends. On Sunday last Mr. Baxter gave an address.—H. P.

PORTSMOUTH.—VICTORIA-ROAD, SOUTH.—On Sunday last Miss Florence Morse delivered splendid addresses on 'Is Spiritualism Needed?' and 'The Great Awakening.' Her clairvoyant descriptions and messages were very clear. On September 30th Mr. Hector Lacey gave a helpful address on 'Self Development' and psychometric tests.—G. McF.

SOUTHPORT.—HAWKSHEAD HALL.—On Sunday last, at the Harvest Festival, Mrs. Powell-Williams delivered impressive addresses on 'Sowing and Reaping' and 'What shall the Harvest Be?' and gave excellent clairvoyant descriptions. Miss C. Aspinwall admirably rendered solos. The decorations were artistic and picturesque. On Monday Mrs. Powell-Williams opened our winter session and commenced a three days' Mission.—E. B.

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SOUTHSEA.—1A, WATERLOO-STREET.—On Sunday last, morning and evening, Mrs. Wesley Adams gave addresses and well-recognised clairvoyant descriptions.—W. D. F.

MANOR PARK AND EAST HAM.—OLD COUNCIL ROOMS, WAKEFIELD-STREET.—On Sunday last Mr. G. Tayler Gwinn spoke on 'Redemption,' and named an infant. On the 6th a social evening was held.—A. H. S.

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SOUTHEND-ON-SEA.—MILTON-STREET.—On Sunday morning last Mr. England gave an address, and in the evening Mr. J. H. Pateman spoke on 'Prayer and its Significance.' Mrs. Barrell gave clairvoyant descriptions and spirit messages.

PORTSMOUTH.—VICTORIA-ROAD, SOUTH.—On Sunday last Mr. H. Boddington addressed large audiences on 'Are Spiritualists Mad?' and 'Who Made God?' On the 4th Mr. N. Waterfield spoke on 'What is Spiritualism?' and Mr. Lacey gave psychometric delineations.—G. McF.

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READING.—CROSS-STREET HALL.—On Sunday last Mr. P. R. Street spoke on 'Death and After' and 'Hell,' and answered questions.—T. W. L.

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TOTTENHAM.—193, HIGH-ROAD.—On Sunday last Miss V. Burton delivered a beautiful address on 'As it is in Heaven.' On the 20th a social evening was enjoyed.—H. G. S.

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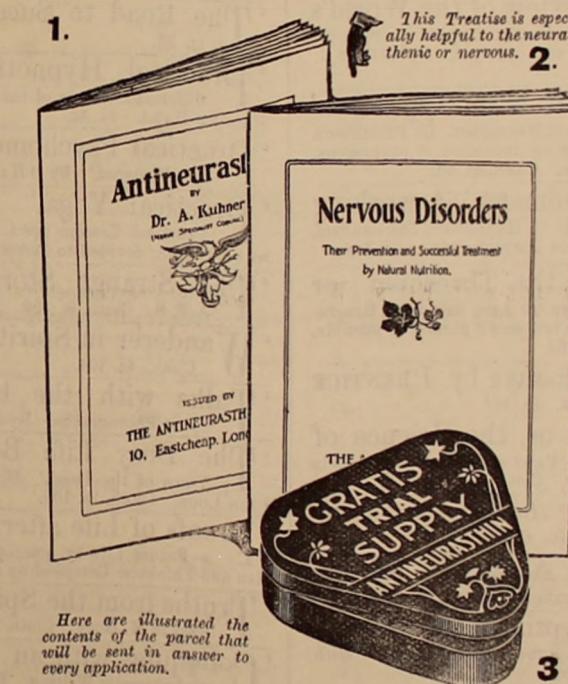
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Form a circle of from four to eight persons, half, or at least two, of negative, passive temperament and preferably of the female sex, the rest of a more positive type. Sit, positive and negative alternately, secure against disturbance, in subdued light, round an uncovered table of convenient size. Place the palms of the hands flat upon its upper surface. The hands of each sitter need not touch those of his neighbour, though the practice is frequently adopted.

Do not concentrate attention too fixedly on the expected manifestation. Engage in cheerful but not frivolous conversation. Avoid dispute or argument. Scepticism has no deterrent effect, but a bitter spirit of opposition in a person of determined will may totally stop or decidedly impede manifestations. If conversation flags, music is a great help, if it be agreeable to all, and not of a kind to irritate the sensitive ear. Patience is essential, and it may be necessary to meet ten or twelve times at short intervals, before anything occurs. If after such a trial you still fail, form a fresh circle. An hour should be the limit of an unsuccessful séance.

If the table moves, let your pressure be so gentle on its surface that you are sure you are not aiding its motions. After some time you will probably find that the movement will continue if your hands are held over, but not in contact with, it. Do not, however, try this until the movement is assured, and be in no hurry to get messages.

When you think that the time has come, let someone take command of the circle and act as spokesman. Explain to the unseen Intelligence that an agreed code of signals is desirable, and ask that a tilt may be given as the alphabet is slowly repeated, at the several letters which form the word that the Intelligence wishes to spell. It is convenient to use a single tilt for No, three for Yes, and two to express doubt or uncertainty.

When a satisfactory communication has been established, ask if you are rightly placed, and if not, what order you should take. After this, ask who the Intelligence purports to be, which of the company is the medium, and such relevant questions. If confusion occurs, ascribe it to the difficulty that exists in directing the movements at first with exactitude. Patience will remedy this. If you only satisfy yourself at first that it is possible to speak with an Intelligence separate from that of any person present, you will have gained much.

The signals may take the form of raps. If so, use the same code of signals, and ask as the raps become clear that they may be made on the table, or in a part of the room where they are demonstrably not produced by any natural means, but avoid any vexatious imposition of restriction on free communication. Let the Intelligence use its own means. It rests greatly with the sitters to make the manifestations elevating or frivolous and even tricky.

Should an attempt be made to entrance the medium, or to manifest by any violent methods, ask that the attempt may be deferred till you can secure the presence of some experienced Spiritualist. If this request is not heeded, discontinue the sitting. The process of developing a trance-medium is one that might disconcert an inexperienced inquirer.

Lastly, try the results you get by the light of Reason. Maintain a level head and a clear judgment. Do not believe everything you are told, for though the great unseen world contains many a wise and discerning spirit, it also has in it the accumulation of human folly, vanity, and error; and this lies nearer to the surface than that which is wise and good. Distrust the free use of great names. Never for a moment abandon the use of your reason. Do not enter into a very solemn investigation in a spirit of idle curiosity or frivolity. Cultivate a reverent desire for what is pure, good, and true. You will be repaid if you gain only a well-grounded conviction that there is a life after death, for which a pure and good life before death is the best and wisest preparation,

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